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## FENCES

The Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (VUSBC) provides the requirements for fences:

Fences and privacy walls not part of a building or a barrier for a pool, do not need a permit provided they do not exceed 6 feet in height. Ornamental post caps do not contribute to the height of the fence, and may extend above the 6 foot limitation.

While a permit may not be required, check the Planning Department's web page <http://www.chesterfield.gov/CommunityDevelopment/Planning/fence.asp> for their regulations concerning fences.

Also it will be important before you start, to check your subdivision covenants for specific regulations, if applicable.

Prior to digging fence post holes, please call "Miss Utilities" at 1-800-552-7001, so they can mark the location of underground utility lines.

A building permit is required for the barriers around swimming [pools, hot tubs and spas.](#)